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1275TH MEETING OF THE PEACE AND SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE AFRICAN UNION, WEDNESDAY, 23 APRIL 2025

TIME: **10:00 A.M., ADDIS ABABA LOCAL TIME**

MODE: **VIRTUAL**

SPEAKING ORDER

AGENDA ITEM: THE IMPERATIVE OF A COMBINED MARITIME TASK FORCE IN ADDRESSING PIRACY IN THE GULF OF GUINEA

A. OPEN SEGMENT with Invited Guests

1. Opening statement by **H.E. Ambassador Rebecca Amuge Otengo**, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Uganda to the African Union and a stand-in Chairperson of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union for April 2025;

2. Introductory Remarks by **H.E. Ambassador Bankole Adeoye**, Commissioner for Political Affairs, Peace and Security;

3. Presentation by **H.E. Moses Vilakati**, Commissioner for Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment (ARBE);

4. Presentation by **Dr. Emmanuel Budu Addo**, Director of Administration, Gulf of Guinea Commission (GGC) (**Within 5 min**);

5. Presentation by the Coordinating Commander of the Maritime Task Force (CMTF) (**Within 5 min**);

6. Presentation by the Representative of the Indian Ocean Commission (IOC) (**Within 3 min**);

7. Statements by the following:

   - Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) (**Within 3 min**); and
   - Economic Community of the West African States (ECOWAS)(**Within 3 min)**.

B. CLOSED SEGMENT: PSC Members and the AU Commission Only

8. Discussion by PSC Members;

9. Consideration and adoption of the Summary of Key Elements for the Draft Outcome Document; and

10. Closing remarks by **H.E. Ambassador Rebecca Amuge Otengo**, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Uganda to the African Union and a stand in Chairperson of the Peace and Security Council of the African Union